

PINK BOLLWORM PROGRAM – WEEKLY REPORT
36 YEARS OF SERVICE TO COTTON GROWERS



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Pink Bollworm Activities

Palo Verde and Imperial Valleys:

There were 9,396 Native moths captured during the week. Winds have stopped in the area and temperatures are high. There are 172 traps currently in place, and 10,839 native moths have been captured year to date. Staff are in the process of mapping growers refuge areas. Agricultural Pest Control Specialist was in Sacramento for the week conducting mandatory Part A Basic Supervision course.

San Joaquin Valley:

Weather has been ideal for the week, sunny and warm. It is reported that cotton planting has peaked in the San Joaquin Valley. Field mapping of the cotton is set to begin May 16.

Staff have completed placement of early detection traps in select areas of the San Joaquin Valley. No Native Pink Bollworm Moths have been detected as of yet in 2006.

The first aerial release of the year is set to begin May 16th. 2 million sterile moths will be released per day on select 2005 Native find sections.

Sacramento Valley:

The anticipated start date for Pink Bollworm Program mapping and trapping in the Sacramento Valley is September 18.